



**Youth Video Festival**  
on Migration, Diversity and Social Inclusion

**Partners Awards Ceremony**  
4 December 2014

**The Paley Center for Media**  
New York City



**Presentation, viewing and discussion of  
PLURAL+ 2014 Partners Award Winning Videos**

**4:00pm-5:15pm**

**Workshop 1: Social Inclusion**



Paper Dolls 3:01 min, United Kingdom  
by Children from CSS Heybridge & Signals Media  
Arts Centre (13-17 age category)

**PLURAL+ The Paley Center for Media Award**

*Synopsis:* Young people reflect on how people's perceptions of themselves have changed throughout the years with regards to appearances and stereotypes.



We All Need Help - 2:17 min, Spain  
by Aldo Abril, Mauricio Buendía, Sofía Marvizón,  
César Hernández, María Hernández  
(Telekids Workshop team) Jacqueline Sánchez-  
Carrero, Coordinator (9-12 age category)

**PLURAL+ Gulen Institute Award**

*Synopsis:* An immigrant is excluded from his new community. After an unfortunate incident that he helps to resolve, his co-workers realize that we all need each other.



3 Things You Should Know About My Hijab  
1:46 min, Canada  
by Kayf Abdulqadir, Sarah Champagne & Hodan  
Hujaleh (18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ The Paley Center for Media Award**

**PLURAL+ Insight Film Festival Award**

**PLURAL+ RAI Educational Award**

*Synopsis:* This video shows a young woman's personal experiences wearing a Hijab. She insists on people coming forward and asking her directly about it.



**Special Presentation of Questscope MeWeSyria**

A Piece of Me, 5:20 min, Syria & Jordan  
MeWeSyria provided agency and  
empowerment for Syrian refugees in Zaatari  
refugee camp. The refugee youth learned to write,  
direct and produce their own short films.

**4:00pm-5:15pm**

**Workshop 2: Diversity**



Sweet-Sour Beef and Onion 3:39 min, Belgium  
by Johannes De Bruycker & Kasper Goethals  
(18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ Global Block Foundation Award**

*Synopsis:* Two Belgian journalism students  
stumble upon an international kitchen and learn  
the importance of promoting diversity and social inclusion.



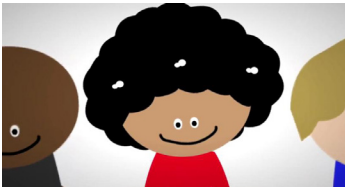
Somewhere to Belong 5:00 min, Germany  
by Julia Kuhn (18-25 age category)  
**PLURAL+ SIGNIS Award**

*Synopsis:* A young Asian boy feels like an outcast in his new country, until he finally finds a group where he belongs. The filmmaker expresses her views on the journey of life, her values and ideals, showing that humanity matters.



Fruit Salad 4:25 min, Australia & France  
by Katrina Lee (18-25 age category)  
**PLURAL+ FERA Award**  
**PLURAL+ Humanity-Without-Borders Foundation Award**

*Synopsis:* This video discusses migration, social inclusion and diversity, and how they all relate to the promotion of fairness and equality in society.



Zamni 1:14 min, Dominican Republic  
by Merybell Nabilah Reynoso (18-25 age category)  
**PLURAL+ NEXOS Award**

*Synopsis:* An eight-year-old girl discovers that in spite of their diverse ethnical and cultural background people have a lot of things in common.



She Who Is 3:08 min, Canada  
by Jakub Markiewicz, Alia Youssef, Siarrah Kane,  
Christie Kay with Reel Youth (13-17 age category)  
**PLURAL+ Fundació Fòrum de les Cultures Award**  
**PLURAL+ CHINH India Award**

*Synopsis:* This video exposes stereotypes and labels women are unfairly subjected to, not only by society in general but also by other women.



Together We Are Better 5:00 min, India  
By Prakhar Deep Jain (18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ Turkish Cultural Center Award**

*Synopsis:* This video reflects on the decisive role of school in teaching children the benefits of social inclusion and migration from an early age. Students from different backgrounds go to school to educate themselves and learn to live in a community.

**5:15pm-6:30pm**  
**Workshop 3: Migration**



The Adventures of Yoyo 3:30 min, Belgium  
by 13 children from Camera-etc, Liège Workshop  
Animation Studio, Louise-Marie Colon  
Delphine Hermans, Coordinators  
(13-17 age category)

**PLURAL+ WITNESS Award**

**PLURAL+ UNTV Award**

*Synopsis:* This video shows, through the story of a parakeet named Yoyo, that migration can be a scary experience, for which a lot of preparation is required.



Valiant Children 4:41 min, Colombia  
by Magaly Mina & Omar Torres with support of  
Directors Gustavo Contreras Barranco & Franklin  
Díaz Medina (9-12 age category)

**PLURAL+ SIMN Award**

*Synopsis:* This video is the story of two migrant kids who discover how their pasts led them to their present circumstances and realities.



Towards a Better Life 5:00 min, Mexico  
by Alfonso Castello & Anne Sullivan Secondary  
School (13-17 age category)

**PLURAL+ Global Block Foundation Award**

**PLURAL+ Gulen Institute Award**

**PLURAL+ Television America Latina Award**

*Synopsis:* This video tells the story of two Mexican children that decide to cross the border to meet their father, who migrated to the United States.

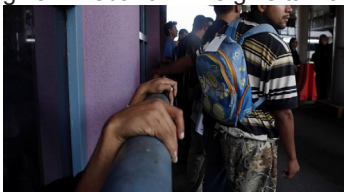


A Letter From a Refugee 5:20 min,  
Syria & Lebanon  
by Dari Women Youth Group (18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ WITNESS Award**

**PLURAL+ COPEAM Award**

*Synopsis:* The video describes the situation of Syrian and Palestinian refugee teenage girls in Lebanon. The girls talk about the challenges they have faced.



Transversing Walls 1:47 min, USA  
by Oscar Candelas (18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ Global Block Foundation Award**

*Synopsis:* A young student shares his personal experience as an immigrant. He talks about the different problems and challenges he has faced and how he had to adapt.

**5:15pm-6:30pm**  
**Workshop 4: Human Rights**



My Paralympic Dream 5:00 min, Bhutan  
by Yeshey Namgyal (18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ Insight Film Festival Award**

*Synopsis:* This video displays the everyday struggle of a young man who has a physical disability owing to cerebral palsy. Using his feet, he demonstrates his excellent artistic skills, giving a lesson on patience and perseverance.



Blue Eyes 3:23 min, Jordan  
by Al-Mothana Al-Ghazzawi & Anas Yahya  
(18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ AFS Award**

*Synopsis:* A video which highlights that appearances are not always what they seem; often, people jump to conclusions from first impressions. This video asks people to take the time to think before they make judgments about the people they encounter.



Borderless 5:00 min, Cyprus & Palestine  
by Ahmad Albakri (18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ Waging Non-Violence Award**

**PLURAL+ The Paley Center for Media Award**

**PLURAL+ CNTV Award**

**PLURAL+ Doha Center for Media Freedom Award**

*Synopsis:* This video explores the filmmaker's personal story and his views on the concept of freedom and what it actually means.



Love is Everybody's Right 3:25 min, Italy  
by Students of Liceo Classico "UGO FOSCOLO"  
Film Lab (13-17 age category)

**PLURAL+ MICE Award**

**PLURAL+ CHINH India Award**

*Synopsis:* A video that states that love is everybody's right, regardless of sexuality.



Life as a Hazara Refugee 5:00 min, Indonesia  
by Khadim Dai (18-25 age category)

**PLURAL+ Honourable Mention Award**

*Synopsis:* This is a story about a refugee and his friends who migrated to Indonesia, where they face difficulties in resettlement and integration into Indonesian society.

### **PLURAL+ 2014 International Jury**

Kim Brizzolara (Hamptons Film Festival), Alvaro Graterol (The School of Documentary Cinema), Laurent Imbault (Goodness TV), Kodjo Ognandou Ayetan (African Film Journalist Bureau), Vannak Lach (Cambodian Center Human Rights), Nisha Varia (Human Rights Watch).

### **PLURAL+ 2014 Pre-Selection Committee**

Louis Abelman, Riyaz Ali, Sheila Aminmadani, Katherine Baker, Elijah Bennett, Joanna Brucker, Michael Boampong, Chiara Carugno, Irene de Lorenzo-Cáceres Cantero, Meenakshi Dalal, Myriam Dems, Mary Ferrera, Allison Finn, Nicole Goggin, Zehra Imam, Michael Ramadan Jones, Syed Mahmood Kazmi, Abdul Khalif, Rachel Kornhauser, Polina Kovaleva, Grace Lau, Christine Mendoza, Beth Newell, Abbas Nokhasteh, Anthony Ramos, Madeleine Ramos, Elizabeth Sewell, Ashok Sinha, George Sosa, Isabelle Tibi, Raldneys Tolentino, Jordi Torrent, Hannah Weitzer, Ksenia Yakustidi.

### **PLURAL+ 2014 Team**

Jordi Torrent (Media Education, Programme Manager UNAOC), Olivia Headon (Associate Migration Officer IOM), Kevin Ritchie (Associate Migration Officer IOM), Evelien Borgman (Associate Migration Officer IOM), Omira Nassir (Intern UNAOC), Agustina Chirio (Intern UNAOC), Syed Mahmood Kazmi (Intern IOM).

### **Special thanks to**

PLURAL+ 2014 International Jury Members, Pre-selection Committee, all youth media-makers, US State Department PRM, MTS Travels, Guests, Katarzyna Pawelczyk from UNICEF/Voices of Youth, Rebekah Fisk and staff at The Paley Center for Media, all PLURAL+ Partners, Michael Ramadan Jones for producing the DVD2, and the CW Film Foundation in support of young filmmakers around the world. Thank you!



## PLURAL+ 2014 Award Winning Videos

### 1. WE ALL NEED HELP

2:17 min, Spain (9-12 age category)  
by Telekids Workshop team, Jacqueline Sanchez-Carrero,  
Coordinator  
PLURAL+ International Jury Award  
PLURAL+ Gulen Institute Award

### 2. DEEPENING COMMUNITY

4:44 min, Canada (13-17 age category)  
by William Snyder, Michael Born, Matthew Steinman &  
Nathan Martin  
PLURAL+ International Jury Award

### 3. BLUE EYES

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### 6. OPEN UP

1:41 min, India (13-17 age category) by Shruti Rai  
PLURAL+ Media Bus Award  
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PLURAL+ RAI Educational Award

### 13. ROLLING ON

5:54 min, Kenya (18-25 age category)  
by Wangui Ngunjiri, Winnie Njoki & Biko Nyongesa  
PLURAL+ MICE Award

### 14. LOVE IS EVERYBODY'S RIGHT

3:25 min, Italy (13-17 age category)  
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PLURAL+ MICE Award  
PLURAL+ CHINH India Award

### 15. THE GIFT

5:00 min, Malaysia (13-17 age category)  
by Lim Jian Hui & SMK Sultan Abu Bakar  
PLURAL+ Doha Center for Media Freedom Award

### 16. FRUIT SALAD

4:25 min, Australia & France (18-25 age category)  
by Katrina Lee  
PLURAL+ FERA Award  
PLURAL+ Humanity-Without-Borders Foundation Award

### 17. FEEL LIKE A MOUNTAIN

4:59 min, Norway (18-25 age category)  
by Elio Alonso Vasquez  
PLURAL+ IUDESP Award

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5:20 min, Syria & Lebanon (18-25 age category)  
by Dari Women Youth Group  
PLURAL+ COPEAM Award  
PLURAL+ WITNESS Award

### 23. LIFT

2:05 min, Hungary (13-17 age category)  
by Zsolt Bata  
PLURAL+ Balkans Award

### 24. HUMAN RIGHTS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

2:11 min, Mexico (13-17 age category)  
by The American School of Guadalajara  
PLURAL+ International Organization for Migration, Migration Re-  
search and Training Centre Award  
PLURAL+ Humanity-Without-Borders Award

### 25. A GOOD DAY

3:59 min, New Zealand (18-25 age category) by Shawn Thomas  
PLURAL+ Honourable Mention Award

### 26. LIFE AS A HAZARA REFUGEE

5:00 min, Indonesia (18-25 age category) by Khadim Dai  
PLURAL+ Honourable Mention Award

### 27. DOCTOR PANDA VIGILANTE

3:01 min, France  
By Video chatting workshop of Periscope (9-12 age category)  
PLURAL+ Anna Lindh Foundation Award

### 28. TOGETHER WE ARE BETTER

5:00 min, India (18-25 age category) by Prakhari Deep Jain  
PLURAL+ Turkish Cultural Center Award

# PLURAL+

Youth Video Festival



**PLURAL+** Youth Video Festival is a joint initiative of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) that invites the world's youth to submit original and creative videos focusing on the themes of migration, diversity and social inclusion. By supporting the distribution of youth-produced media, PLURAL+ recognizes youth as powerful agents of positive social change in a world often characterized by intolerance, and cultural and religious divisions.

Every year, young people are invited to submit short videos addressing **PLURAL+** related topics. In 2014, twenty-eight videos coming from all around the world have been selected for awards.

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